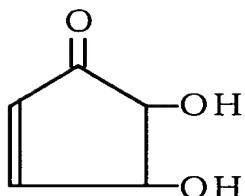


## ABSTRACT



(I)

5 Remedies or preventives for diseases with a need  
for the reinforcement of the production of growth factor  
and/or diseases with a need for the reinforcement of the  
production of interleukin-12, characterized by containing  
as the active ingredient a compound selected from among  
4,5-dihydroxy-2-cyclopenten-1-one represented by formula  
10 (I), 4-hydroxy-2-cyclopenten-1-one and derivatives thereof.